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SUBJ: TUNA: PORPOISE CONNECTION--CERTIFICATION OF ECUADOREAN
FISHING PRACTICES

REF: (A) STATE 49988; (B) STATE 113759

1. ECUADOREAN FISHING INDUSTRY IS MOVING TO COMPLY WITH
REGULATIONS GOVERNING IMPORTATION OF TUNA TO THE US BY AUGUST
1 DEADLINE. INDUSTRY BELIEVES THAT IT CAN PRESENT "SELF-
EVIDENT" PROOF, E.G., SIZE AND CONFIGURATION OF LOCAL TUNA
FISHING BOATS, THAT ECUADOREAN FLEET DOES NOT FISH ON PORPOISE.

2. GOE HAS TAKEN THE POSITION, ON PRINCIPLE, THAT REGULATIONS
REPRESENT ATTEMPT BY USG TO ENFORCE ITS LAWS EXTRATERRITORIALLY
AND THUS WILL NOT MAKE REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS IN A DIRECT WAY.
IN ORDER NOT TO JEOPARDIZE ECUADOREAN FISHING INDUSTRY, HOW-
EVER, THE GOE HAS AGREED TO A CIRCUITOUS METHOD OF PROVIDING
THE CERTIFICATIONS. THERE WILL BE AN EXCHANGE OF DOCUMENTS
BETWEEN THE LOCAL FISHING ASSOCIATION AND THE MINISTRY
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OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN WHICH CHARACTERISTICS OF ECUADOREAN
FLEET AND FISHING PRACTICES ARE EXPLAINED AND TO WHICH THE
MINISTRY ATTESTS. THIS MAY TAKE THE FORM OF MINISTRY
RESPONSES TO A SERIES OF INDUSTRY QUESTIONS. REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE NATIONAL CHAMBER OF INDUSTRIES WILL THEN PRESENT
DOCUMENTS TO USDOC PRIOR TO AUGUST 1.

3. COMMENT: FISHING INDUSTRY REPS HAVE ASSURED EMBASSY
THAT THEY HAVE CLEARED THIS CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE WITH
USDOC, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE NOT INDICATED WITH WHICH INDIVIDUALS
OR OFFICES. IF DEPARTMENT ENVISIONS ANY PROBLEMS WITH PRO-
CEDURE AS OUTLINED IN PARA. 2 AOBVE, REQUEST EMBASSY BE
INFORMED ASAP SO THAT FISHING INDUSTRY AND GOE CAN BE NOTIFIED
AND GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO ADOPT DIFFERENT CERTIFICATION
PROCEDURE.
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